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# HETALIA

Axis Powers



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CHIBITALIA





(Holy Roman Empire)

Deeply obsessed with their ancient counterpart, the "new" Roman Empire felt the need to add "Italy" to the beginning of their name. Despite their aims and lofty aspirations, they failed to include Rome itself in their acquisitions. Propensity urging Italy to join them by force (sarcasm), the Holy Roman Empire's dream was to combine Italy and the Germanic tribes to form a Holy Roman United Kingdom.



(How Italy Became the Target of Bullying)

After Rome dissolved, Italy became a collection of tiny countries.

At that time, Italy had everything... fertile lands, a warm and habitable climate, rich culture, history, arts and religion. It was a very attractive country.

Unfortunately, it was also **extremely weak**.



From the outside, Italy was both desirable and easy prey. When France initiated an invasion, other strong nations couldn't resist pouring in from land and sea alike.





[Austria-ism]  
In addition to taking control of Italy, Austria began to conquer the weakening Holy Roman Empire as well. An avid fan of war, he is a proppy intellectual who built an empire where the sun never set.

[Italian Wars]  
The Italian Wars were the bloodiest conflicts the region had ever seen. After their conclusion, the battered Italy was picked apart and divided among more powerful nations. This marked the end of Italy's pompous life.

JACQUE: Ron Robinson



(The Konosawa and Italy)

As playing the other nations became Italy's primary concern, their artistic innovations during the glittering Konosawa era became a thing of the past. Thus, Italy would no longer take center stage in world history for many years. As an added effect of their declining lifestyle, both their territory and military strength shrank like an earthworm in the summer sun.











[Swartling wood]

Although the Holy Roman Empire claimed to be a nation, its actual territories were controlled separately. Since all of its different states were essentially split, surrounding nations began to butt in on their business in the name of religion.



["I have been abandoned"]

The Holy Roman Empire continued to have religious conflicts even after the Peace of Augsburg. The final blow occurred in 1618 when a Bohemian revolt against the emperor began a series of battles known as the Thirty Years' War (1618-1648). Devastated by the battles, the Empire fell apart while surrounding nations picked up the pieces.







**And so, the Holy Roman  
Empire plunged himself  
into a long, long battle.**



(Dancing disease)  
A "disease" prevalent in Napoli after Italy was taken over by Spain. Although the actual cause was unknown, it was thought to be the result of stress caused by the Spanish invasion. The treatment was a high-tempo dance now known as the Tarantella.



This is my chance to officially greet all the other nations!

A world meeting is being held today. Sealand is a country too, so I have to work hard and fulfill my duties just like the other countries!

My population consists of four people, and my territory is only 207 square meters.

Hi there! My name is Sealand-kun, and I'm the smallest self-proclaimed nation in the world.

SNUB

Good moooooorning!

Fortunately, my prince took over a few years later and declared independence, turning me into my very own nation!

I was born when that jerk England made an island fort in 1944, but after the war ended, he totally forgot about me!

Good morning!!!

Strut  
Strut

This big

I'm currently offering a noble title for the low, low price of 19 Euros. It's a bargain! With prices like this, I'd be world famous in no time!

Although I may be the smallest nation in the world, I have a big heart!

GOOD MORNING!

Huuh? Maybe I'm not saying it loud enough...

It's leaking over here too!

Splurt

Someday, I'm gonna be so big that jerk England will be begging me for--

Yes, sir! I'll fix it in a second! Just let me get this fixed!

Drip

#### Sealand's Battle for Independence ♦

Therefore (according to Sealand), if Sealand is not a part of English territory, it must mean he is recognized as an independent sovereign!

Not my territory!

Not English territory

SEALAND'S TERRITORY!!

Long ago, when a soap splot involving Sealand residents occurred, England stated the area was not a part of English territory and ignored the problem.



## Go Sealand!



[Will Sealand ever be acknowledged as a nation?]

According to the United Nations, the foundation of a country must consist of "natural-forming land and space." As such, the man-made Sealand doesn't quite fit the bill. Even so, Sealand is able to tout its own sovereignty on technicalities within International Regulations. For example, Sealand was able to declare its independence because it is located three nautical miles outside of British waters.

In addition, "Prince" Roy Bates was attacked through a German-invested coup d'état, and about 20 people tried to do a forceful takeover. Upon the criminal trial of this incident, England refused to get involved with the trial, and when German ambassadors were hired, Sealand retorted that the "German Government has acknowledged Sealand as a nation," using the unlucky situation to its advantage. As an added note, these "revolutionaries" declared that they were the righteous monarch because they had established a new sovereign.



## Austria

(Official Name)  
 Republik Österreich  
 (Capital) Vienna  
 (Official Language) German  
 (Birthday) October 26  
 (National Flower)  
 Edelweiss

Born under the proud house of Habsburg, Austria is an intelligent and well-spoken former powerhouse. Austria is on bad terms with France but can easily ignore him when provoked.

Although he is more optimistic and calm than Germany, he is sometimes left behind the times, thanks to his self-centered attitude. Austria loves art, music and national cuisine, often putting his hobbies before work.

Although they speak the same language, Austria's manner of speech is more eloquent and refined than Germany's.

*"I told you to choose your friends wisely!"*



## HETALIA AND HIS MERRY FRIENDS



## Hungary

(Official Name)  
 Magyar Közigazgatás  
 (Capital) Budapest  
 (Marriage Anniversary)  
 June 8, 1867 (Austrian)  
 (National Flower)  
 Páfrányosmálva, Tulip

Hungary was originally formed by a group of nomads, riding through the fields on horseback. Unfortunately, as soon as its citizens settled down, they were invaded by other nations. Because Hungary was never shown any kindness, she has a fondness for Austria, who gives her at least the tiniest bit of respect. When her nation was split in two and engulfed in civil war, he was the only person she had to turn to. Despite the circumstances, she is proud to say that she once had two separate empires.

Hungary is a bit introverted but a hard worker behind the scenes. Although she appears mild-mannered, she can sometimes be foul-mouthed, thanks to her history as a wild woman. She hates Romania so much that she names all of her dogs after famous Romanians.

*"Give me back my happy place!"*  
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*"Give me back my happy place!"*





## Spain

[Official Name]

España

[Capital] Madrid

[Official Language] Spanish

[Birthday] February 12

[National Flower]

Carnation

A southern European kingdom that is blessed with warm sun, lush nature and a fantastic climate. Spain was once a great nation that sent out fleets of ships all over the world for exploration and trade. However after being bullied by England and America, he lost his lofty position and was crippled by poverty and war. Fortunately, Spain's uniquely crazy-going personality has helped him cope with tragedy.

Spain is cheery and kind-hearted with a very rustic-looking countryside. His cuisine uses tomatoes, tomatoes and more tomatoes and his sweets are only considered sweet if they're the sweetest of the sweet.

*"You gotta try to do everything you like while you still can."*



## HETALIA AND HIS MERRY FRIENDS



## Switzerland

[Official Name]

Schweizerische Eidgenossenschaft

[Capital] Bern

[Official Language] German, French, Italian, Romansh

Latin

[Birthday] August 1

[National Flower] Edelweiss

*"A certain island nation thinks all I do is ride a magic sky swing and run around the mountains while playing with goats and eating cheese."*

A perpetually neutral nation surrounded by the Alps, Switzerland is a bit of a xenophobic realist. Despite his peaceful reputation, Switzerland possesses one of the world's largest militaries, along with much of the world's money. A major weapons manufacturer, he is able to maintain peace because other nations are afraid to fight him.

Switzerland, always strong and united, never really desired to interact with other countries, causing him to dislike foreigners. He is a hard worker that will finish any job to the end. Thanks to his credentials, he was once hired as a masonary for the Vatican.





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